

Fact Sheet



Do You Know About Trees?



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HOW TO KILL YOUR TREE "LET ME COUNT THE WAYS"

- ✱ Plant too deep
- ✱ Plant too shallow
- ✱ Plant in soil that's too dry or wet
- ✱ Damage roots during construction
- ✱ Change the landscape drastically near the tree
- ✱ Hit it with a lawn mower time and time again
- ✱ Build a patio around it
- ✱ Inflict a wound (with a knife, axe, during construction)
- ✱ Over fertilize
- ✱ Prune improperly
- ✱ Thin out the area greatly
- ✱ Give it sudden exposure to the sun
- ✱ Let low heavy branches grow: They'll break off during a storm
- ✱ Plant too close to your house



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